VA Information Resource Center <u>Job Announcement</u>

Associate Director

The VA Information Resource Center (VIReC) is seeking an Associate Director. VIReC is a national health services research resource center, providing documentation, advice, and expert referral about VA data and information systems to researchers using VA data and information systems. VIReC is based at Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital in Hines, Illinois.

Candidates should have a degree (Doctorate preferred) in health services research, epidemiology, economics, or a related discipline. Three years experience using the VA national databases in health services research application is preferred. Research experience working with large clinical or health care administrative databases and SAS data sets is preferred. Management experience would also be advantageous. The Associate Director will be primarily responsible for leading a data documentation effort and participating in other major databases and research initiatives. The Associate Director will also oversee day-to-day operations of the VIReC. The candidate may also be appointed as a Research Health Scientist in the Midwest Center for Health Services and Policy Research (MSCHPR), a VA Health Services Research and Development Service (HSR&D) Center of Excellence, and will be expected to qualify for an academic appointment at one of our university affiliates: Northwestern University, University of Illinois at Chicago, or Loyola University Chicago.

The VIReC serves as a database and informatics resource and referral center to researchers using VA databases and information systems. The VIReC is devoted to (a) informing the research community on the use and relevance of VA and other select databases and (b) representing and advocating for the information needs of health services researchers within, and on behalf of, HSR&D service in other communities and structures of the VA. VIReC is led by a Director, includes about 10 FTE professional/technical and administrative staff; some staff are shared with MSCHPR. VIReC operates using a team-based, goal oriented approach. The six major sections within VIReC correspond to our major goals and initiatives: *Databases & Research, Customer Service, Web and Dissemination, Liaison, Computer Systems and Technology, and Administration*. VIReC is funded by VA Health Services Research and Development Service.

The position is full-time with benefits. Salary is competitive. U.S. citizenship is required. The Department of Veterans Affairs is an equal opportunity employer. For additional information, contact: Denise Hynes, Ph.D, R.N., Director, Telephone: 708-202-2413.

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